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## VIRGINIA.

Young Aaron went to New Home Saturday to see his mother-in-law, Mrs. Peter Crooks, who has been very sick for a week. She had a very bad spell Thursday of last week and had just commenced to rally a little from it. Tuesday morning it was reported by phone that she was resting very well. We drove over a mile of dragged roads from Virginia west and then we had bad roads until we crossed the river and a couple of miles the other side, then we got where the people take some interest in having good roads and they had dragged them and as we glided over the roads so nice and smooth we did feel thankful to the good people for scattering flowers along our pathway and we do believe these good people will scatter flowers, bread and meat, boots, shoes, lots of nice clothes and happiness in many homes next fall by voting for state wide Prohibition. We noticed as we were coming home that there was a new bridge being built just west of James Sacre's and one near T. S. Harpers and that the Charlotte Telephone Co. was putting up new poles from Virginia south. As we neared Virginia we met the dear people going home from S. S. and church and they looked to Young Aaron like they were ready to break silence and get on the right side of the liquor question like Bryan and let the stand patters stand pat if they want too.

Mrs. Crosswhite is on the sick list. Harley Wardeman delivered fat hogs at Butler Monday.

Robert McCann and wife spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. May Baum, north of Butler.

The young people in the Mt. Carmel neighborhood organized a young people's meeting at the Mt. Carmel church Sunday night.

Wm. Hardinger made a business trip to Amoret Monday.

The net proceeds of the box supper at the Crook school house Wednesday night of last week was \$15.05.

Jno Hedger fell out of the hay loft Tuesday morning of this week. In falling he hit the manger and was bruised up considerably.

The Virginia young peoples meeting will be held at the Christian church next Sunday evening, Jan. 30th, beginning promptly at 6:30. Topic, "Does Religion Pay?" 1 Cor. 3:18-23. Leader, Miss Grace Darr. Bro. Blalock will preach at the Christian church next Sunday in the morning and at night.

Grandpa Corlett is not so well. Mr. Weimi's children, who lives on what is known as the Jno. Durret farm, all have the whooping cough. Mrs. Uschrat, who lives on the Charley Durret farm, has the tonsillitis.

Lawrence Darr is still improving and will soon be able to be around again.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Simpson who spent several days in Kansas City visiting their niece, Mrs. Ollie Walker and family, returned home Monday of this week. They spent one day with their nephew, Dow Wolfe, and they reported these people all enjoying good health and that they had a splendid time visiting and looking over the city.

C. A. Wallace, of Amoret, who has sold his property there will move to his farm near Virginia this spring.

Miss Myrtle Johnson who has been spending the winter with Mrs. Dr. Smith went to Butler Monday and from there she will go to her home at Lebanon, Mo.

Mrs. O. M. Drysdale spent Saturday night and Sunday with her friend Miss Mary Allen.

Jake Jundy moved last week to the farm which he bought of H. D. Heyen.

G. W. McGuire moved to Jake Jundy's place and a young Mr. Whistler where Mr. McGuire lived.

The meeting at Mt. Carmel church closed Wednesday night of last week. It was a good meeting and great interest was taken. There were twelve conversions. Rev. Moore who was helping in the meetings returned to his home in McDonald county Thursday.

Will Minor, of near Nyhart, visited

last week with relatives in Henry county.

Emmett Burk's children who have been sick are reported better. YOUNG AARON.

## Mulberry and Western Bates.

Mrs. L. M. Braden left Thursday on an extended visit with relatives at Columbus, Ohio.

Col. Ike Lockridge one of the leading farmers of Elkhart and chief of the Democrats attended the speaking at Amsterdam Tuesday afternoon.

We drove up to Amsterdam and had the pleasure of hearing Hon. C. C. Dickinson's speech Tuesday. The roads were almost bottomless but we got home by the light of the moon.

Clyde Moore made a trip to the county seat Friday.

John Caughman and wife, of Block, Kansas, are visiting with their many friends in this neighborhood.

Willie Burnham spent Friday evening with friends in Amoret.

Charles R. Bowman and family visited at the Arthur Payne home Sunday.

Robert L. Braden was a very pleasant visitor at our home Sunday afternoon.

Fred C. Ewbank and family of the Hot Water neighborhood spent Sunday with Harlan Porter's.

Edwin Rush and family, of Amoret, spent Sunday at the Dr. J. C. Sageser home.

Little Tom Smiser is helping Mack Braden keep back while Mack's ma is visiting back east.

The number of farms that have been rented by some of our young bachelors makes the outlook for application for hunters license to hunt for a house keeper very favorable. Boys get ready for the serenade.

Land is advancing in Western Bates, one farm of thirty acres selling for \$5000.

Col. Clyde E. Robbins the jolly auctioneer of Amoret passed our place early Friday morning to fill a date up north east of Amsterdam. We were so bad stuck on our job that we could not join the Col. on the trip, we were cutting hedge.

The infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. T. Maschoff is very low with whooping cough.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Beall were shopping at Butler Friday.

Don't forget the election on February 1st. Besure and vote for the man that will be in line with the great central west, Hon. C. C. Dickinson.

Frank Dykman, the little two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dykman, died last Wednesday after a long sickness. Frankie was an exceptionally bright little boy and will be missed by the many friends of the family. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Maschoff pastor of the German Lutheran church and interment in the Mulberry cemetery.

Dr. J. C. Sageser was a caller at Peter Morwood's farm Monday.

RAMBLER.

## Ballard.

The mild weather and good roads have made an ideal time for moving.

W. P. Owens has moved on the Mosher place, which he recently purchased.

John Stevens will live on the Teeter place west of town.

J. J. Proctor left with his family for Wright county, Mo., where they will reside.

George Stevens moved to Wright county, where he purchased a farm.

Little Lora Andrews, who has been very low with pneumonia, is recovering.

Uncle Doc Bell is on the sick list; also Harold Corwine and the little son of Sam Hays.

W. S. Hurt, one of Ballard's progressive merchants, was in Kansas City the first of the week ordering goods.

Misses Minnie and Virgie Christie visited Miss Edith Warford Sunday.

Fred Keirsey sports a new driving team and buggy.

T. D. Embree, wife and daughter visited her father, D. Teeter, the first of the week.

## FOSTER.

Clem. Lloyd was a passenger to Rich Hill Thursday evening.

Mrs. Ed. Doke called on Miss Salia Arbogast Thursday evening.

Grover Arbogast was an arrival Tuesday from Kansas City.

Miss Mable Bailey came down from Kansas City Wednesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailey.

Married, at Hume, Mo., Jan. 19th, 1910 by the Rev. J. H. Boner, Miss Lutie Martin to Mr. Gus A. Scarnier, both of Foster.

Walter Shofner has been on the sick list last week.

Fred Bell departed Sunday for Pittsburg, Kansas.

Miss Willia Darr visited with the Misses McCann and Mrs. Henderson Miller Saturday.

Misses Salia and Ada Arbogast visited Sunday with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. John Heckadon near Rich Hill.

A. H. Lloyd lost a valuable young horse Sunday evening with spasmodic colic.

The chewing gum offer last week to the first young lady to marry in Foster was a winner. We learn from Miss Clede Doke the gum has been paid.

C. A. Darby, of Grand Junction, Colorado, spent a few days last week visiting his uncle, J. W. Darby. He left Thursday for Warrensburg, Sedalia and other Missouri points.

Parson Beaty, of Chickashea, Okla., came in Sunday to visit relatives at this place.

The new bride and groom couldn't stand the tin horn gang at Foster and departed Friday evening for Butler, and will spend their honeymoon at that place. They were accompanied to Butler by Mr. and Mrs. Leland Shelton.

Foster is undergoing another round of measles.

Fred Bell came in Friday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bell.

Mack and Dan Orear, of Iola, Kan., came in Saturday to buy two teams of horses.

W. M. Collins and wife and the Misses Maude, Beulah and Hazel Journey, Lota Bright and Clede Doke met Friday night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Arbogast to practice the songs in their new song books.

We learn that Mrs. Claypool died at her home in Mineral, Kansas. She formerly lived at this place and will be remembered by our people who will regret to learn of her death.

Young Aaron, our neighbor, correspondent of Virginia, passed through Foster Sunday. We always knew Young Aaron was a strong prohibitionist but we are at a loss to know why he got lost in our little city. We have known him a long time and think it was real mean that he did not call on us.

DINAH.

## REPUBLICANS WILL SUPPORT DICKINSON.

### Clinton, Mo., Bankers Announce Conversion at Dinner to Former Gov. Francis.

Staff Correspondent to Republic.

Clinton, Mo., Jan. 24.—Two Republicans, both bankers of this city, announced at a dinner here this evening to former Governor D. R. Francis, of St. Louis, their intention of voting for former Senator C. C. Dickinson, Democratic nominee to succeed the late David A. DeArmond in Congress from the Sixth Missouri District.

The men are: Paul Tyler, cashier of the Citizens' Bank, and C. W. Snyder, cashier of the Clinton National Bank. Like assurances were given to-day, both here and at Harrisonville, by other Republicans who resent the attitude of Phil S. Griffith, the Republican congressional nominee, who is seeking election on an Aldrich-Cannon and stand-pat tariff platform.

Mr. Francis spoke at Harrisonville, county seat of Cass county, this afternoon, and at Clinton, county seat of Henry county, to-night. At both places large audiences greeted him.

## West Deepwater.

G. R. Borum hauled some of his implements to his place last week, and C. Turpin is also moving some things to his farm this week.

Lewis Hill and wife visited Geo. Kegerries and family Sunday.

Joe Borland shot a large dark eagle on his farm one day last week. It measured 6 feet 7 inches from tip of wings.

The ladies of the Missionary Society will serve lunch at the Odd Fellows hall at Spruce election day.

Mrs. Ed. Childers is very sick at this writing.

J. H. Baker and family visited at I. E. Beards Sunday.

Rumor of wedding bells soon. Billy has prepared the location. Bud says "Dutch" can keep house for him. Daddy has given his consent and the judge is ready to pass the life time sentence.

Ike Greer's team ran away with him Saturday. They ran into a wire fence throwing him out and bruising him badly and almost ruining one of his valuable horses.

When the comet appeared in the southwest last week one of our near by school marm was badly frightened. She thought the world was beginning to burn up.

Mrs. James Carroll is visiting her sister, Mrs. Leonard Turpin, south east of Butler this week.

W. H. Charters jr., must not get so attentive to business as to forget his Sunday eve appointments.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Drenen gave a masquerade party at their home Monday night.

G. R. Borum is hauling hay to Butler this week. He gets \$12 a ton for it. Homer Clark invited 30 of his friends in last Thursday night and had an old fashioned hop with Dell Lutzenhiser as musician.

W. H. Charters jr., shipped another fine hog to Martin, of Ash Grove, Mo.

Mrs. Cal. Furgeson is on the sick list.

Remember next Tuesday is the date of the special election to elect a successor to the late Judge DeArmond. We sincerely hope that every Democrat will go and cast his vote for the nominee, Hon. C. C. Dickinson. FARMER JOHN.

## NEW HOME.

There is lots of sickness in our neighborhood at present.

Young Aaron was down to see his mother-in-law, Mrs. Crooks, Saturday.

Grandma Crooks remains about the same at this writing.

John Miller and the Briscoe boys report quite a wolf chase as having taken place near here last Monday.

Mrs. Chas. Patten is just recovering from a severe attack of the la grippe.

Leslie Patton has started to school again.

Chas. Emil, of Foster, is shingling J. H. Cope's new barn.

J. H. Cope has the lagrippe.

Mrs. James Park is still staying with her mother, Mrs. Crooks.

We are just thinking about going to work, making garden and rushing the season on.

Leo Neptune is cutting hedge out on the farm this week. We shouldn't think a young man just fresh from Kansas City would know how to cut hedge. CLOVER.

## Along the Miami.

Miss May Morgan came home from Nashua with her sister, Mrs. Fisher, and the children a week ago Tuesday night.

A. G. Hoyt's house caught fire last Friday. A large hole was burned in the roof, but they were fortunate enough to discover the fire in time to save the building.

Dick Martin has moved from the Piggott farm to the place, known as the Sam Dobbins farm.

Miss May Morgan and Maude Hoyt spent Sunday at the home of J. B. Moore and wife. MIAMI.

## GRIFFITH CALLED

### CANNON IDOLIZER.

### Stand Patter, Who Seeks DeArmond's Place, Supported Negro Against Democrat.

Greenfield, Mo., Jan.—Phil S. Griffith, whose nomination to succeed the late Congressman David A. DeArmond, in the Sixth District, was steam-rolled through the convention of Republican Postmasters at Butler, will join the parrot brigade in Washington if by any chance he should defeat former Senator C. C. Dickinson at the special election February 1.

Griffith is a standpatter of the unadulterated brand. His worship of Uncle Joe Cannon may be likened to idolatry. He preached the virtues of the "Danville sage" when the Speaker was spoken of as a presidential possibility and has been boosting him ever since. Griffith views the House insurgents or Republican progressives in the light of traitors.

At least, that is what those intimately acquainted with him say and an interview with the congressional aspirant failed to indicate otherwise. It is a pretty safe prediction that Griffith, should he be sent to Congress, would be as subservient to Cannon's wishes as Senator Warner is to Senator Aldrich's now.

Griffith's rampant partisanship is a topic of general comment in Greenfield, where he edits The Vedette. He can see only Republicanism, and his definition of that term is "regular" and not "insurgent." It makes no difference to Griffith whether the ticket he supports is national, state, county or municipal. He insists that every Republican must vote 'er straight. This story, told by Griffith's fellow-townsmen, is said to be typical of his rabid partisanship. His father-in-law, known to all of Dade county as "Uncle Jack" Johnson, a bank president and leading citizen, became the Democratic candidate for County Judge. Griffith opposed him in his paper and is said to have voted against him, although hundreds of Republicans supported him.

### Holds Party Above Family.

Mr. Johnson was elected and is now the Presiding Judge of the Dade County Court. Subsequently a brother-in-law of Griffith, who is also a banker, was put up as the Democratic treasurer. Griffith again put partisanship above family and personal regard and fought his brother-in-law, who was defeated.

On another occasion negroes gained control of one of the wards of Greenfield and nominated one of their race for Alderman. The Democrats, of course, nominated a white man. Griffith, it is said, wrote long editorials in advocacy of the election of the entire local Republican ticket, not excepting the negro aldermanic candidate. The negro was beaten.

Uncle Joe Cannon, as Champ Clark recently said in a speech in this district, will welcome with a wide grin the advent in Congress of such a Republican "regular."

The Republican convention that nominated Griffith, it is charged, was largely made up of Postmasters who receive daily lessons in politics, along with instructions on Government business, from Postmaster General Frank Hitchcock, who is chairman of the Republican National Committee, and originator of steam-roller methods.

This convention indorsed the Payne-Aldrich tariff law, Republican extravagance and everything else Republican that the progressives will not stomach, in a broad resolution that might have been written by Hitchcock himself.

It was one of these "a-king-can-do-no-wrong" documents and includes in this category President Taft, Senator Aldrich, Speaker Cannon, Payne et al.

### Condemned by Papers.

It was this platform, and Griffith's declaration on it, that caused condemnation by the strongest independent newspapers of the state.

Griffith now is beginning to appreciate the weakness of his platform

and is hedging. Asked if he would join the Aldrich-Cannon regulars if elected, he said, evasively "so it is charged."

"As a matter of fact," he added, "that issue has never been put squarely up to me."

When the issue was put "squarely up to him," however, he dodged by saying that the Republicans did not consider Cannonism an issue.

"The Speaker has been elected and the rules have been made," he remarked, with an air of finality. He intimated that it would be time enough for him to declare himself when he goes to Washington.

Personally, Griffith is young and likable. He is confident of carrying his county, which ordinarily is about 500 Republican. He also is hopeful that enough Democrats will be kept at home in the Democratic stronghold by inclement weather or for other reasons to enable him to slide into DeArmond's seat by a narrow margin.

He has contended himself, thus far, with a handshaking tour, eschewing speechmaking as a dangerous undertaking. He is banking on the Republican spellbinders sent into the district by the National Committee to explain his position.

### Johnstown.

The weather has been very fine the past week and very much enjoyed by everyone.

Several are reported on the sick list at this writing.

Rev. Hargis filled his regular appointment at the Methodist Church in Johnstown on last Thursday evening.

Bob and Lee Radford, the Bell telephone men, hauled hay from the McCook farm last week.

Gus Oneal's baby is quite sick at this writing.

John Brownsberger had the misfortune to have one of his mules badly crippled by a horse kicking it one day last week.

Charley Sweger is contemplating a trip to California soon.

John Borum and wife were the guests of Grandma Walker on last Sunday.

We understand that Bill Spears has sold his farm and has purchased the McMullin feed yard in Butler and expects to move soon.

W. H. Shelton is reported on the sick list this week.

Everett Maupin, who runs the grist mill in Johnstown, was kept quite busy on last Saturday supplying his customers with corn meal, which so many are very fond of.

Several in our community on last week watched the comet, just after the sun set when it could plainly be seen in the southwest.

Sam Jackson and family were the guests of his father, W. F. Jackson, on last Sunday.

Martin Esenborth and wife were the guests of W. O. Shillinger and wife last Monday. RUTH.

Cass county Democrats, with a few Republican votes, gave the late Congressman David A. DeArmond a majority of 1,019 votes in 1908 at the general election. The question is what are the good people of Cass going to do for Clement C. Dickinson in February 1910? With the issue as clearly defined as they are in this campaign there is no reason why Cass county should not increase her lead as the banner county in the Sixth District by giving Mr. Dickinson the neat little majority of 1,200 to start with. Democrats, if every one of you vote, we can do it; if you stay at home, we may be defeated. It is a time when the Sixth District has the eyes of the entire nation on it. Let us give Dickinson the majority of a decade. We owe it to ourselves, to the district, to the state and to the nation. We owe it to the memory of David A. DeArmond; he would wish it so; let us raise that majority.—Cass County Democrat.

The Globe-Democrat appeals to the voters of the Sixth Missouri District to send Editor Griffith to Congress, because he will be a "friend of protected American wages and industries." What do the farmers of the Sixth think of that? Where do they come in?—Review.